

# **EXHIBIT 2**

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1 No.

2 Q You don't remember --

3 A There was lots of humps.

4 Q What about a collapsed joist? Do you recall  
5 anything like that?

6 A No.

7 Q Do you recall whether or not you walked  
8 over -- when I say collapsed floor joist, do you  
9 understand what I'm referring to?

10 A Well, I understand the technical meaning of  
11 collapsed. We certainly didn't see anything collapsed  
12 or any sign of anything collapsed there.

13 Q If something had collapsed, what would that  
14 feel like when you're walking across the floor?

15 A Collapse is a complete break of the member,  
16 and that would have been very obvious.

17 Q What if it had fallen over? What would you  
18 call that?

19 A Fallen over.

20 Q Do you recall a fallen-over floor joist?

21 A No.

22 Q Do you recall walking over something that  
23 was -- were you looking for those types of things?

24 A We were not.

25 Q You weren't looking for fallen floor joists?

1           **A**     We were not doing a full, thorough structural  
2     evaluation of the house.

3           **Q**     If you were walking through the -- well, if  
4     you're walking through the living room and you walked  
5     over a fallen floor joist and there was a trough in the  
6     floor, is that something that you would have wanted to  
7     investigate?

8           **A**     Probably just -- yes. But it seems like --  
9     if there would have been something that dramatic, yeah,  
10    it seems like they would have called an engineer  
11    themselves.

12          **Q**     If there was something --

13          **A**     If there was -- if I was a homeowner and  
14    there was a gaping hole in my floor, I would call an  
15    engineer.

16          **Q**     If there was a -- if there was something like  
17    that when you arrived at the Smiths', is that something  
18    you would have investigated in the crawlspace?

19          **A**     Yeah.

20          **Q**     Would that be -- would that be indicative of  
21    earthquake damage in that home?

22          **A**     No.

23          **Q**     You don't think so?

24          **A**     Not -- not the first signs of damage.

25          **Q**     Again, this would be something where you'd